

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Claims 2, 10-12 and 17-19 are amended. The following is the status of the claims of the above-captioned application, as amended.

Claim 1. (Original) A process for preparing a dough-based product, comprising adding a xylanase to a dough, leavening, and heating the dough, wherein the xylanase is

a) a polypeptide having at least 80 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2 or

b) a polypeptide which is encoded by a DNA sequence which can hybridize at 41°C in 0.1 x SSC to the complementary strand of nucleotides 142-687 of SEQ ID NO: 1.

Claim 2. (Currently amended) The process of claim 1 which further comprises adding an exo-acting maltogenic alpha-xylanase-amylase to the dough.

Claim 3. (Original) A composition which comprises flour together with a xylanase which is a polypeptide having at least 80 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2 or encoded by a DNA sequence which can hybridize at 41°C in 0.1 x SSC to the complementary strand of nucleotides 142-687 of SEQ ID NO: 1.

Claim 4. (Original) The composition of the preceding claim which is a dough.

Claim 5. (Original) A granulate or agglomerated powder comprising a xylanase which is a polypeptide having at least 80 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2 or is encoded by a DNA sequence which can hybridize at 41°C in 0.1 x SSC to the complementary strand of nucleotides 142-687 of SEQ ID NO: 1.

Claim 6. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide having at least 80 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 7. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide having at least 85 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 8. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide

having at least 90 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 9. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide having at least 95 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 10. (Currently amended) The process of claim 1, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide is encoded by a DNA sequence which can hybridize at 41°C in 0.1 x SSC to the complementary strand of nucleotides 142-687 of SEQ ID NO: 1.

Claim 11. (Currently amended) The process of claim 1, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide is encoded by a DNA sequence which can hybridize at 45°C in 0.1 x SSC to the complementary strand of nucleotides 142-687 of SEQ ID NO: 1.

Claim 12. (Currently amended) The process of claim 1, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide is encoded by a DNA sequence which can hybridize at 50°C in 0.1 x SSC to the complementary strand of nucleotides 142-687 of SEQ ID NO: 1.

Claim 13. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 3, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide having at least 80 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 14. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 3, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide having at least 85 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 15. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 3, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide having at least 90 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 16. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 3, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide having at least 95 % identity to the amino acid sequence as shown in positions 1-182 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 17. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 3, wherein the xylanase is a

polypeptide ~~is~~-encoded by a DNA sequence which can hybridize at 41°C in 0.1 x SSC to the complementary strand of nucleotides 142-687 of SEQ ID NO: 1.

Claim 18. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 3, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide ~~is~~-encoded by a DNA sequence which can hybridize at 45°C in 0.1 x SSC to the complementary strand of nucleotides 142-687 of SEQ ID NO: 1.

Claim 19. (Currently amended) The composition of claim 3, wherein the xylanase is a polypeptide ~~is~~-encoded by a DNA sequence which can hybridize at 50°C in 0.1 x SSC to the complementary strand of nucleotides 142-687 of SEQ ID NO: 1.